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MEMORANDUM FOR: ADORR

SUBJECT: Proposed Research Project Covering USSR Economic Warfare Aims Against the West

1. The purpose of subject project, described in Enclosure 1, is to gauge the economic warfare measures taken by the USSR since 1945 against the free world (Cover only the more significant developments during the 1945-1948 period and devote special attention to Soviet economic warfare activities subsequent to the time of the Berlin blockade, which necessitated the air lift). An analysis of these findings will indicate discernible trends in Soviet intentions and economic warfare techniques, which can be useful to the Agency in devising counter measures.

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2. Enclosure 2, particularly paragraphs 2 and 9 of the attached memorandum to you from [REDACTED] (A/WAR/RR), suggests that ORR is currently engaged in a number of projects related to the proposed study; that such a project is basically twofold in character in that it requires both research and analysis; and that possibly the facilities of the Economic Intelligence Committee could be utilized for gathering data for the chronological phase, which could be submitted to an external group for the analytical phase. It is hoped that such an external group might call upon Government sources thereafter through the EIC on a continuing basis and regularly report its findings to OPC.

3. Your comments to the proposals contained in paragraph 2 above would be greatly appreciated in order that a formal request may be made for having the project outlined in Enclosure 1 initiated as soon as possible.

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Enclosures:

- 1 - Secret Outline of [REDACTED] 18 Oct. 1951 Economic Warfare Research Project
- 2 - [REDACTED] 30 Nov. 1951 Secret Memorandum for the Record Concerning [REDACTED] Meeting on 27 Nov. 1951

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